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TO ALL NEAR EASTERN AND SOUTH ASIAN DIPLOMATIC POSTS

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FOR AMBASSADOR FROM S/NM-FALCO AND DEPUTY ASST SEC'Y DUBS

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SUBJECT: BILATERAL AND REGIONAL NARCOTICS OPERATIONS

1. IN SEVERAL AREAS OF THE WORLD, DEA AND OTHER FEDERAL AGENCIES ARE INVOLVED IN NARCOTICS RELATED OPERATIONS WITH HOST GOVERNMENTS OR WITH SEVERAL COUNTRIES ON A REGIONAL BASIS. OFTEN THE DEPARTMENT IS NEITHER CONSULTED NOR AWARE OF THE PLANNING OF THESE OPERATIONS. (RECENT EXAMPLES ARE OPERATION STOPGAP INVOLVING COLOMBIA; OPERATION PISCO WITH PERU AND NEIGHBORING STATES; OR A DEA PROGRAM INVOLVING TRANSFERRING OF FUNDS TO A U.N. PROJECT IN AFGHANISTAN.) OUR PRINCIPAL CONCERNS ARE (1) TO BE SURE THAT ALL NARCOTICS PROGRAMS ABROAD ARE PROPERLY COORDINATED AND (2) THAT THE POTENTIAL IMPACT ON OTHER U.S. INTERESTS AND ISSUES ARE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT. WE KNOW FROM DISCUSSIONS WITH
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SEVERAL AMBASSADORS THAT WHEN A FIELD REPRESENTATIVE OF AN AGENCY PRESENTS A PROJECT TO THE AMBASSADOR FOR APPROVAL, HE ASSUMES COORDINATION HAS ALREADY TAKEN PLACE AT THE WASHINGTON LEVEL-

2. AMBASSADORS SHOULD ASSURE THEMSELVES THAT ANY ACTIVITY

IN THE DRUG FIELD, BE IT ENFORCEMENT OR REHABILITATION/
TREATMENT, HAS RECEIVED PRIOR APPROVAL AND COORDINATION IN
THE DEPARTMENT (BOTH S/NM AND THE REGIONAL BUREAU). WHEN
IN DOUBT, PLEASE QUERY THE DEPARTMENT BY CABLE. VANCE

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